

In the claims

1. (Currently Amended) A system for providing an application service in a converged service creation environment, the system comprising:
 - an application server;
 - a plurality of applications, the applications coupled to the application server, each of the applications providing a service with one or more services being voice-oriented call processing and one or more services being non-voice-oriented processing;
 - a plurality of open application programming interfaces, the plurality of application programming interfaces coupled to the application server and receiving requests for a service of a corresponding application of the plurality;[[and]]
 - service session management logic, the service session management logic coupled to the application server and creating a service session by providing instructions to establish communications, where the instructions and established communications depend at least upon whether the requested service requires a voice-oriented call processing application[.];
 - wherein the application is a network application;
 - wherein the network application receives the service request;
 - wherein the network application communicates with the service session management logic to create the service session, the communication based at least in part on the service request;
 - a soft switch, the soft switch coupled to the service session management logic;
 - wherein the service session management logic sends a communications session instruction to the softswitch, the communications session instruction based at least in part on the service session instruction; and
 - wherein the softswitch sends a first communication setup instruction to a service server and a second communication setup instruction to a customer data device, the first communication setup instruction and the second communication setup instruction based at least in part on the communications session instruction.

2. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 1, wherein the plurality of open application programming interfaces include an open broadband service application programming interface, an open narrowband application programming interface, and an open messaging service application programming interface.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The system of claim [[4]] 1, wherein the network application sends a service applet, the sending of the service applet based at least in part on the service request.

6-39. (Cancelled)